



# Bricks 'n Pieces

A magazine for LEGO® Club members

Summer 1982

## Club rally day 8th August- Coming?

**S**UNDAY, 8th August is the date for our annual Club Rally and we look forward to meeting many thousands of you again.

We have chosen the huge Milton Keynes Shopping Centre once more as the best place to hold the rally. There are three good reasons for this, (1) We shall be mounting our biggest ever LEGO World Exhibition there between July 28th and August 31st so there will be plenty of big new model displays for you to see. (2) We couldn't find anywhere else big enough to hold all the LEGO Club Members who will want to come. And (3), it is now even easier to get to and from many parts of the country because it has a brand new main line railway station (just opened by Prince Charles) as well as easy access by motorway.

Rally day starts at 10.30 a.m. and finishes at 4 p.m. You can come for a couple of hours or stay the whole day if you like. There will be snack bars and restaurants open or you can bring your own picnic lunch. There'll be lots of things to do and see. Special building projects, films to see and displays to admire including an enormous LEGO Railways layout.



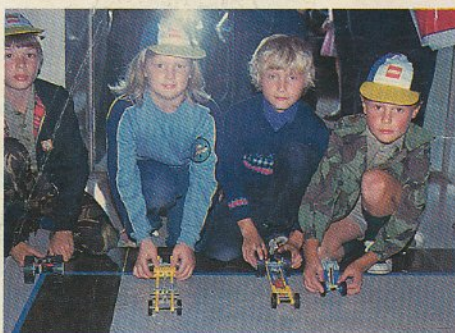
David Lyall's model of 'Old King Cole'.



Club Members proudly show off their creation.



The Club Rally at Leeds last year.



Members entering the LEGO Machine Race.

### HOW TO GET THERE

#### BY ROAD

Leave the M1 motorway at Junction 14 and follow the signs to Central Milton Keynes (approx. 2½ miles). There are 'free' spaces for 9,000 cars immediately adjacent to the shopping centre.

#### BY RAIL

MILTON KEYNES CENTRAL STATION—opened by Prince Charles on 14th May, this new Inter City Station has regular services from London (Euston), Birmingham, Liverpool, Manchester and Scotland, also good connections from other parts of the country via Birmingham and Rugby.

A free shuttle bus operates between the station and the shopping centre.

Dear Member,

You may be surprised to hear that the LEGO Company will be celebrating its 50th birthday in August so it is Jubilee time for us.

That doesn't mean that LEGO bricks are 50 years old. They are 'only' 30. But before them, the LEGO Company in Denmark made wooden toys which also bore the name 'LEGO' which comes from the Danish words 'leg godt' meaning 'play well'.

We think that's a good name and as it has been around for 50 years already there seems a good chance that it will still be going when your children are wanting to 'play well'.

Perhaps even your grandchildren too.

Just fancy that!

But closer in time is the Club Rally on 8th August. I'll be there of course and so will our model designer David Lyall. We both look forward to meeting lots of you again and to sharing another really great day when we can all 'play well' together.

CLIVE NICHOLLS (Club President)

## 2nd GREAT LEGO MACHINE RACE

At the Rally Day in Leeds last year we invited members to bring with them a LEGO mobile powered by a single rubber band and to see whose would travel furthest.

Marc Holinshead from Matlock won that race with a record-breaking 135 feet.

Will that record be broken at the Milton Keynes Rally this year? Will anyone even be able to get half as far? Why not see what you can do?

The rules are that the mobile must use nothing except LEGO components and a rubber band and must travel along a straight track six feet wide without going outside the boundaries. Speed does not matter, distance is the thing. There are no age limits, any members can enter.

There's £10 in cash for the best run on the day and prizes of LEGO sets for the three best runners up.

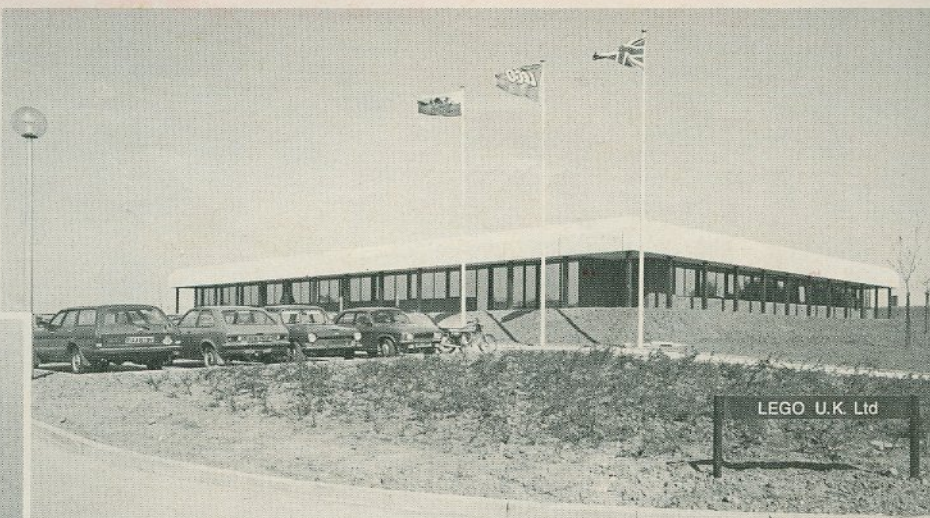
So, get building and bring your model-mobiles with you on August 8th.



# THE LEGO CLUB AT WORK

## 1 ▶

The LEGO offices and warehouse in Wrexham are of a very modern design and were opened in May 1981. Outside there are flag poles for the Union Jack, the LEGO flag, and the flag of Wales, the Welsh Dragon. 60 people work for the LEGO Company in Wrexham and this is our headquarters in the United Kingdom.



## ◀ 2

*The Club President — Clive Nicholls at work . . .*  
In addition to being President of the LEGO Club, Clive is also Marketing Manager for LEGO U.K. and looks after the advertising which many of you will have seen on television.

*The LEGO Club office . . .*

Run by Membership Secretary Susan Lister (left) the Club office looks after all Club membership applications, competitions and letters. With so many members the Club office handles some 2000 letters each week.

## 3 ▼



*Ruth Williams— Secretary to Clive Nicholls . . .*  
Many of you will have received letters from Ruth especially when you enter a competition. Ruth also types Clive's letters and is involved in many aspects of the Club.



Any questions about the Club please write to:

Susan Lister  
LEGO Club  
Wrexham  
Clwyd LL13 7TQ

# JOKE TIME



Q. When your clock strikes thirteen what time is it?  
A. Time to have it mended. *Andrew Watson*

Q. What does a puppy say when he sits on sand paper?  
A. Rough, Rough. *Zaccai Beck*

Q. What do you call a clean, healthy, good natured kind monster?  
A. A failure. *Tobias Zaldua*

Jess—I had to go to the dentist and have a tooth out to-day.

George—Does it still hurt?

Jess—I don't know, the dentist kept it.  
*Derek Piercy*

Patient—How can I stop myself sleepwalking?  
Doctor—Sprinkle drawing pins on the floor.  
*Philip Elgar*

Q. Where does Tarzan get his clothes from?  
A. A jungle sale. *Catherine Peach*

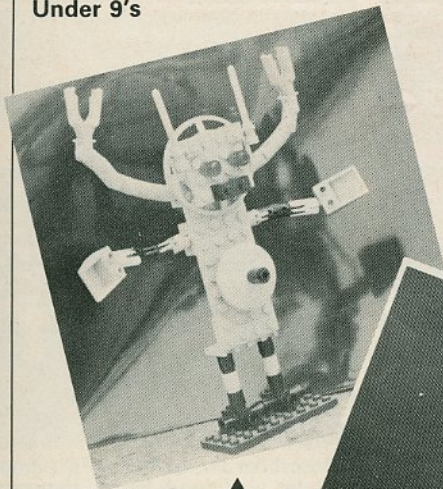
Q. What did the LEGO Builder say when someone grabbed his arm?  
A. LEGO! LEGO! *Kevin Ferridge*

Q. Why did the thirsty man carry a watch?  
A. Because it had a spring in it. *Simon Lilly*

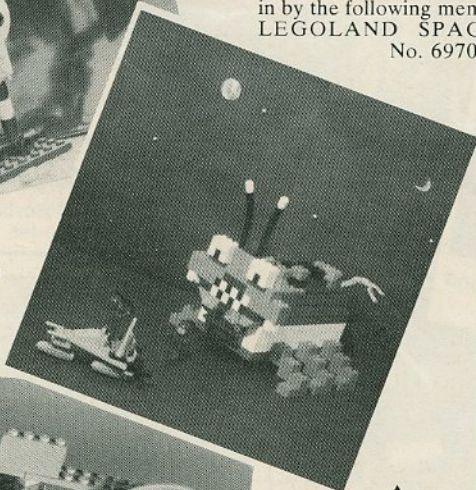
Q. What goes peck peck bang?  
A. A chicken in a minefield. *John Bryne*



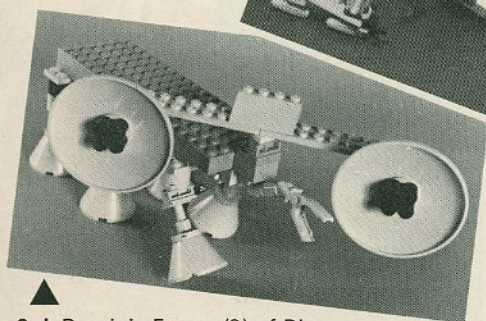
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1st David Knight (6)  
of Loughton



2nd Daniel Milman  
(5) of Blandford  
Forum



3rd Dominic Fraser (8) of Diss

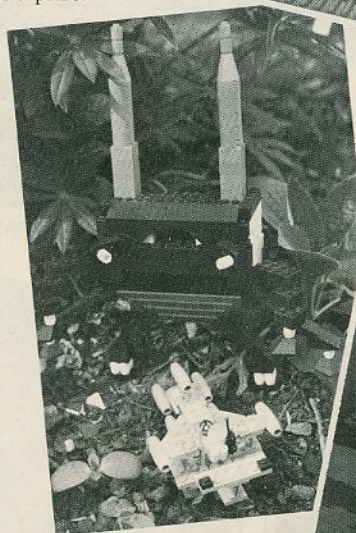
# ORDREGG WINNERS

In the last issue we asked members to send us photographs of their ideas for a six-legged Ordregg of Ogel. The most monstrous Ordreggs were sent in by the following members who will receive the LEGOLAND SPACE Command Centre No. 6970 as a prize.

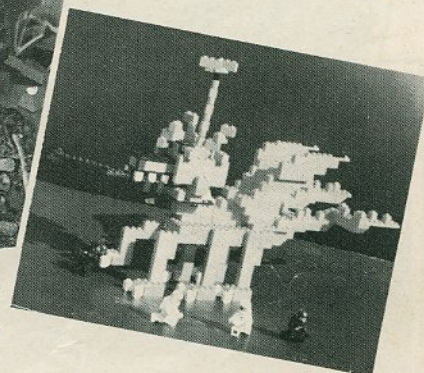
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Gilmorton

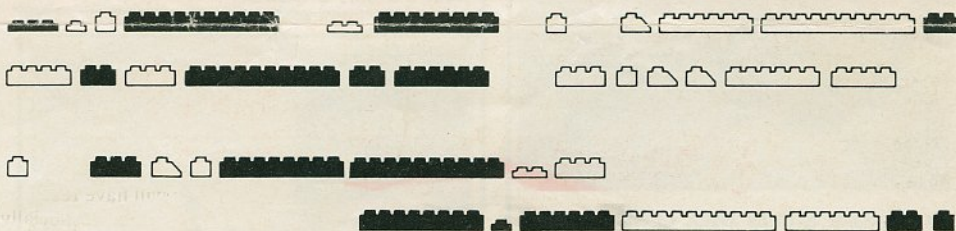


2nd James Taylor (9)  
of Teddington

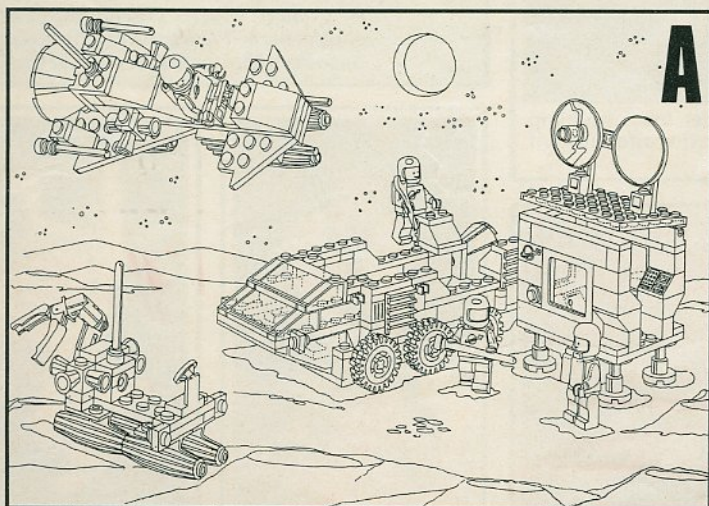


3rd Benjamin Sanders  
(10) of Hitchin

## BUILDACODE MESSAGE



## LEGOLAND Space Spot the Difference Competition



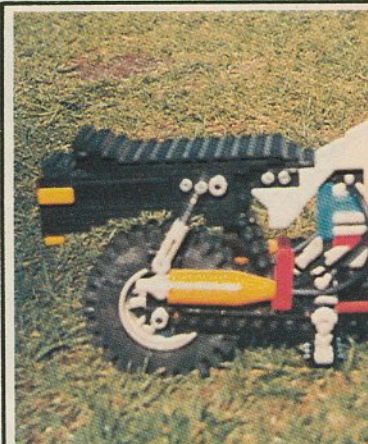
All you have to do is compare drawing A with drawing B. Draw a ring around each of the differences on drawing B, cut out the drawing and send with your name and address filled in to: The LEGO Club, LEGOLAND Space Competition, Wrexham, Clwyd LL13 7TQ.

You could win one of 20 Space Transporter sets (No. 6929 worth £10 each).

Closing date September 15th, 1982.

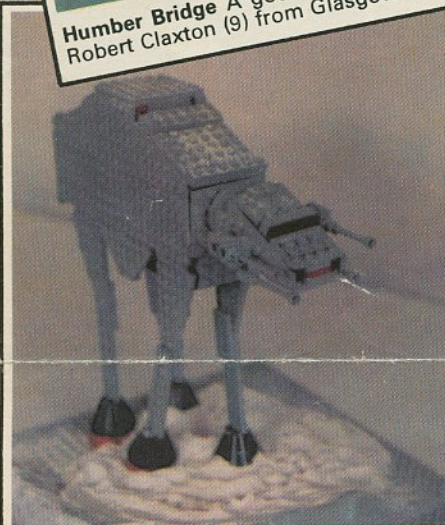


**Numberplate** A very neat idea from Robert Gadstone (9) of Bristol.

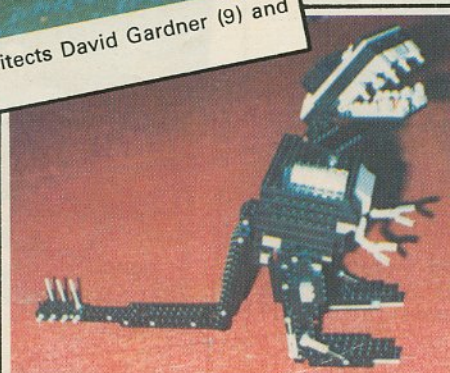


**Motorbike** James Reilly of Birmingham model, well done James, the result

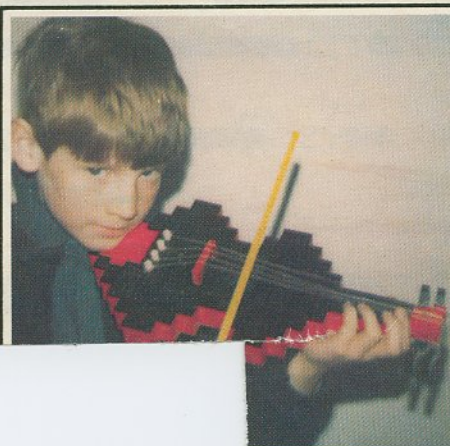
**Humber Bridge** A good model from architects David Gardner (9) and Robert Claxton (9) from Glasgow.



**The Empire Strikes Back** LEGO Style—A very good model of the 'At-At Walker' by Philip Dodge (12) of Tring.



**Dinosaurs** Paul Halliday (14) of Basingstoke built this robot dinosaur—I'm very glad to hear it's only a model.



model from budding  
rosthwaite (9) of



c idea from Darren  
diamond showing the  
nber countries.

# LE Ma Bui AWA

A "golden" Master Builder Badge goes shown here. If you have a photograph of become a Master Builder if your model is

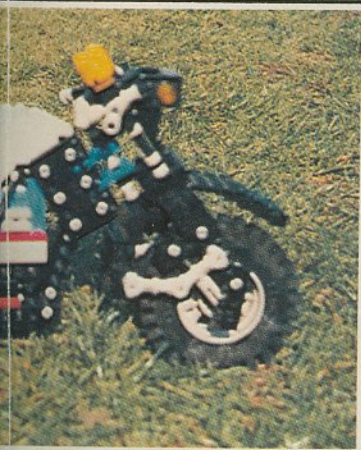


**Cassette Player** Marcus Lane (10) from Southwick sent this picture of his clever model in action.



**Easter Bunny** A very Louise Clark (10) from





...m has spent two years perfecting this  
...is very lifelike.



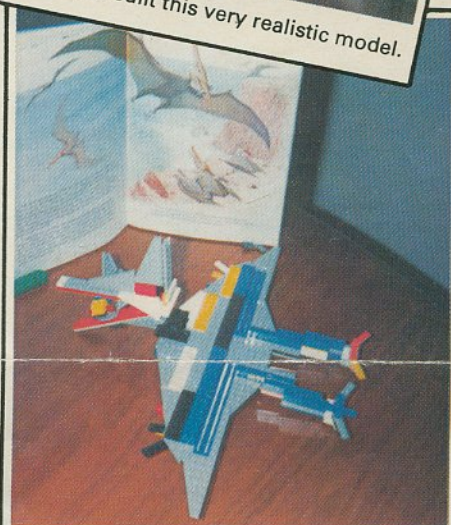
◀ Timothy Dixon (10) from the Wirral sent us this picture—it's certainly one the President couldn't resist!



Traction Engine Julian Bliss (12) of Bristol built this very realistic model.



The Organist A well thought out model from Alexander Farley (6) from Etchingam, E. Sussex.



Pterandon Andrew Souter (6) of Bristol sent this very good model of a Pre-historic Bird which had a wingspan of 7.6 metres.



Roundabout A clever working model from Vincent Chuilon (5) of Abingdon.



Goal A good action shot from Ben Walsley (10) of Kendal.

# GO<sup>®</sup> ster lder ARDS

each of the members whose models are  
special model, send it in and you too could  
shown in the next issue of *Bricks 'n Pieces*.



...tractive model from  
...anfield.



Elmer Jamie Cunningham of Ayrshire sent in this clever model of an American Tourist.



Printing Press This working model printing press won 3rd prize for Adam (10), Julia and Martin Brown of Stroud in a local printing competition. The picture shows Adam Brown operating the machine.



Weaving Loom Weaver Alan Russel (10) from Balerno in Scotland sent this picture of his working heddle loom.



**For younger Members**

I am sure many of you enjoyed the Puzzle and Paint picture in the Spring issue of Bricks'n Pieces, so here is another.

This time we have used some of the FABULAND animal characters such as

Catherine Cat  
Maximilian Mouse  
and Ernie Elephant



**Spot the twins**

Two of the FABULAND Animals are identical, can you spot them?

# LEGOLAND Sports Day

An original story sent in by Kate & Sophie Phillips of Lee, London

<p>It was sports day in LEGOLAND and every one was getting excited.</p>	<p>Policeman was going to judge all the races.</p>	<p>The first race was the hopping race. 'Ready, steady, GO!' shouted policeman.</p>	<p>Off hopped nurse, cowboy and chef but nurse tripped and fell over.</p>	<p>Cowboy fell over, so chef won that race.</p>
<p>Next was the skipping race. Red man, Punky Pam and fireman took part.</p>	<p>Fireman won that. He used the hose from his fire engine to skip with.</p>	<p>White man tripped. He was in the final race: The egg and spoon.</p>	<p>His egg flew through the air and landed on taxi man's head!</p>	<p>Taxi man was not amused, but everyone else agreed that they had enjoyed the LEGOLAND Sports Day!</p>



# Club Shop

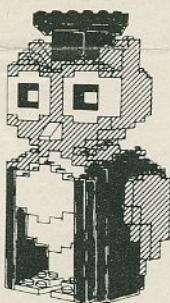


LEGO Salt and Pepper pot (set)	75p
Technic Rally Cap	75p
LEGO Key Ring	40p
LEGO Club Badge	30p
LEGO Club Stickers (3 sheets)	20p

Postage and packing 25p per order

Send your order together with a cheque or postal order (including 25p post and packaging) to:

The LEGO Club  
Club Shop  
Wrexham  
Clwyd  
LL13 7TQ



## LEGO COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLS

In September LEGO and the schools supply company E. J. Arnold of Leeds are running a National Schools Building Competition.

There are exciting project themes of 'Space Age', 'History' and 'Our School', for school classes to build LEGO models and win prizes for their schools. And David Lyall our model designer will be one of the judges.

Perhaps when you get back to school in September your teacher will know all about the Schools Building Competition, but if not she can write to: LEGO U.K. Ltd., Educational Department, Wrexham, Clwyd, LL13 7TQ.

  
**CONGRATULATIONS!**



Our membership secretary, Susan Norton, married Gerard Lister on 29th May.

Susan is staying with the LEGO Club, however, but is now Susan Lister of course.

We all wish Susan and Gerard a happy future together.

(Members attending the Club Rally at Milton Keynes will, of course, be able to meet Susan—and I'm sure she will love to tell you about her very special day).

## ANY LETTERS?

We received so many interesting letters that we often do not know which to publish in Bricks'n Pieces. In future therefore, we will offer a prize of a LEGO set worth £5, for any letters from members which we publish.

Start writing!

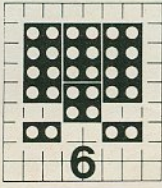
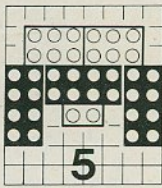
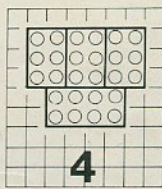
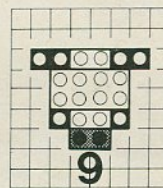
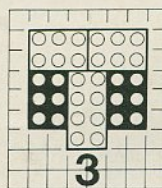
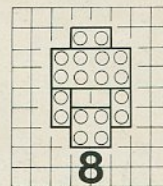
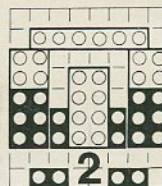
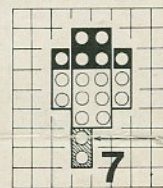
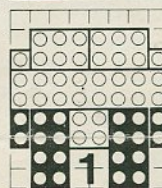


### What is it?

Here is a puzzle model for you to build. I bet you can't guess what it will turn out to be before you build it.

Follow the instructions very exactly and I think you'll get a pleasant surprise.

	= Black brick
	= White brick
	= White slimbrick
	= Black slimbrick
	= Red slimbrick



held by row 8



## THE David Lyall SPOT



## David blasts off into SPACE

David Lyall, LEGO model designer, has built a really spectacular space model this Spring.

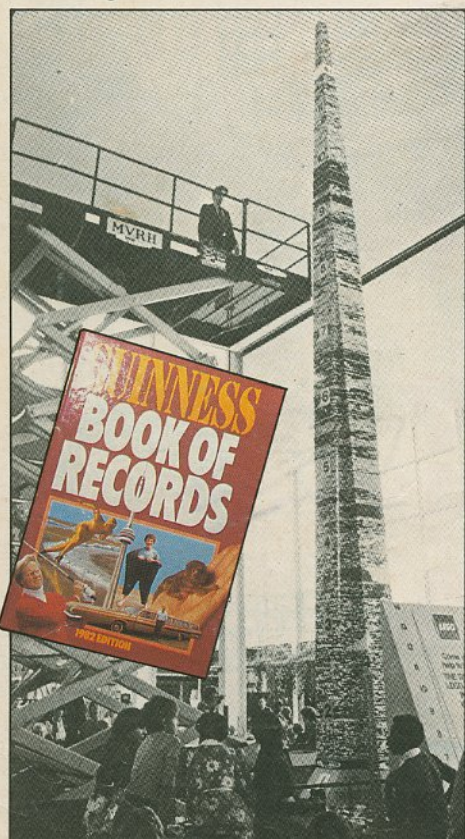
The 'Galaxy Explorer' took two months and over 25,000 LEGO bricks to build. David says "many photographs of the space models sent in by members are as good if not better than my Galaxy Explorer, but I can use more pieces to build my models much bigger".

David's Galaxy Explorer will be on show at the LEGO World Exhibition at Milton Keynes in August and will naturally be there for the Club Rally.

## The Tallest LEGO Tower

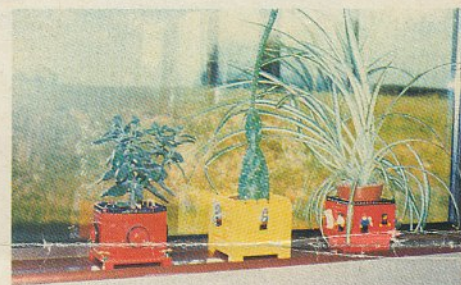
Some members may remember the Tallest LEGO Tower in the World which was built at Milton Keynes in 1980. Well the 1982 edition of the Guinness Book of Records has recognised our achievement on page 168/169.

It says 'The tallest LEGO tower was one of 13.1 metres (43 ft.) with 100,000 "bricks" weighing 250 kg, (½ ton) put up at Central Milton Keynes on 9-25th August 1980'.



## HOW ABOUT SOME POT PLANT HOLDERS FOR MUM ?

A nice idea from the LEGO Club office are some LEGO pot plant holders. Here you see ours with a variety of pot plants and each LEGO holder can be decorated with figures, wheels, windows, or whatever you fancy.



## NEW LEGO RAILWAY SETS



No doubt many Club Members who have a LEGO Railway will be interested in the new Railway sets appearing in the shops in August.

In addition to an electric goods train set (No. 7730) there is a very nice electric diesel shunting locomotive (No. 7760—price around £16.25) complete with driver and yardsman. Our picture shows the diesel shunter with German railway stickers, but with the British Rail stickers included in the set it looks very smart.

Also welcome is a Passenger Coach (No. 7818 price around £7.40), Mail Van with crew (No. 7820 price around £10.45), and a locomotive without motor (7810 price around £7.40) which can be motorised with either the Railway motor 7865 or the LEGO battery motor.

New accessories include right and left hand remote controlled points (7858 and 7859) and a remote controlled decoupling unit (7862).